

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ ಎಂ. ಮಂಜುನಾಥ್.—ನಾವು ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸುವುದರ ಅರ್ಥವೇನು ? ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಉತ್ತರವನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೀರಿ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಏನು ಪರಿಹಾರವನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕೋ ಅದನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾದದ್ದು ಬಹಳ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾದದ್ದು. ಅವರು ಆ ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ಸೂಚನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟು, ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇವೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ಇದುವರೆಗೂ ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೇ ಇರುವುದು ನಿಜವಾಗಿಯೂ ವಿಷಾದನೀಯ ಇದರಿಂದ ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಜನತೆಗೆ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಅದರಿಂದ ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕೆಂದು ನಾನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಬೈರೇಗೌಡ.—ನಾನು ನಿನ್ನ ಬಹಳ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾದ ಒಂದು ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾಪ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದಿದ್ದೆ. ಅದರ ನಿನ್ನೆಯ ದಿವಸ ಈ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಟಿಯನ್ನು ಹಂಚುವುದು, ಹೂವಿನ ಹಾರವನ್ನು ಹಾಕುವುದು, ಇವುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಏಲ್ಲರೂ ಮಗ್ನರಾಗಿದ್ದರು. ಅದರಿಂದ ನಾನು ನನ್ನ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾಪ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು ನನಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶವನ್ನು ಕೊಡಲಿಲ್ಲ. ನಮ್ಮ ಊರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ತರಹ ಗೆಡ್ಡೆ ಸಿಕ್ಕುತ್ತದೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ತೋರಿಸಬೇಕಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಅದರ ತಾವು ನನಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶವನ್ನು ಕೊಡಲಿಲ್ಲ, ಅದರಿಂದ ನನ್ನ ಮನಸ್ಸಿಗೆ ನೋವಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ತಾವು ನೋಟೀಸ್ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಬೈರೇಗೌಡ.—ನನ್ನ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟದ್ದಾಗಿ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಇರತಕ್ಕಂಥಾ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಈ ಸಭೆಯು ಹಾಗೂ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತರಬೇಕೆಂದಿದ್ದೆ. ಆ ವಿಷಯ ಪೋಟೋ ಸಮೇತ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರಲಿ ಎನ್ನುವ ಉದ್ದೇಶದಿಂದ ನಾನು ಅದನ್ನು ಹೇಳಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಅದರ ತಾವು ನನ್ನ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಅಘಾವಾಗಿ ಕಂಡಿರಿ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ತಾವು ನಿನ್ನೆ ದಿವಸ ಯಾರ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆಯನ್ನು ಕೇಳಿ ಅದನ್ನು ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಬಂದಿರಿ ? ಇನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಸಾಮಾನು ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ತರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಇಲ್ಲ. ಅಂಥಾದ್ದೇನಾದರೂ ಯಾರಾದರೂ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ತಂದರೆ ಅವರು ಈ ಸಭೆಯ ಹೊರಗಡೆಯೇ ಇರಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ನಿನ್ನೆ ದಿವಸ ತಾವು ಈ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಾಟಕ ಆಗುತ್ತಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದಿರಿ, ತಾವು ಬಹಳ ದೂರ ಹೋಗಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ.

ತಾವು ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ಇನ್ನೂ ಹೊಸ ಸದಸ್ಯರು. ತಾವು ಕಲಿತುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾದದ್ದು ಬಹಳ ಇದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಬೈರೇಗೌಡ.—ನಾವು ಯಾವ ರೀತಿ ನಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರೆ ಬಹಳ ಸಂತೋಷ. ನಿನ್ನೆಯ ದಿವಸ ನನಗೆ ತಾವು ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಡದಿದ್ದುದು ನನ್ನ ಮನಸ್ಸಿಗೆ ಬಹಳ ನೋವನ್ನುಂಟು ಮಾಡಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಕೋಲಾರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆ ಆಗಿಲ್ಲ. ಬೀಜವನ್ನು ಬಿತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಜನಗಳಿಗೆ ತುಂಬಾ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಈಗ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ರೆವಿನ್ಯೂ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು, ಹಾಗೂ ಅಹಾರ ಶಾಖೆಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳೂ ಇಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಚ್. ಪುಟ್ಟರಂಗನಾಥ್.—ನಮಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಡಾನೆಗಳ ಹಾವಳಿ ಬಹಳ ಜಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿದೆ. ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಆಸ್ತಿಪಾಸ್ತಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಬಹಳ ಹಾನಿಯಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ನಾನು ಒಂದು ವಾರದ ಹಿಂದೆಯೇ ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕಾಲ್ ಅಟೆನ್ಷನ್ ನೋಟೀಸ್ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ರೂಲ್ಸ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಒಂದು ದಿವಸಕ್ಕೆ ಒಂದು ಕಾಲ್ ಅಟೆನ್ಷನ್ ನೋಟೀಸ್ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಈಗ ಒಂದು ದಿವಸಕ್ಕೆ ಛಿ ಕಾಲ್ ಅಟೆನ್ಷನ್ ನೋಟೀಸ್ ಹಾಕಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಅದರಂತೆ ಸೀರಿಯಲ್ ನಂಬರ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ನಿಮ್ಮದೂ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ.

Statement of the Minister for Municipal Administration.

Re : Constitution of a Committee to consider the conditions of Sweepers and Scavengers.

SRI B. BASAVALINGAPPA (Minister for Municipal Administration) :
Madam Speaker, I would like to make the following statement.

The Estimates Committee of Parliament in its 48th Report recommended to Government as follows :—

- (a) The Ministry of Home Affairs should take a more lively interest and should impress upon the State Municipalities and local bodies that it is of utmost urgency that the practice of carrying night soil as head loads be eliminated within the shortest possible time ;
- (b) Such municipalities and local bodies who for various financial and other reasons, may not be able to immediately to change over completely from the practice of carrying night-soil on head to that of removing it in hand carts or wheel barrows, but may be ready to introduce the scheme gradually, should be encouraged and allowed financial aid.

These recommendations came up for discussions before the Central Advisory Board for Harijans, Welfare held on 12th October, 1957 under the Chairmanship of late Sri G. B. Pant, Home Minister. A Committee under the Chairmanship of Sri M. R. Malkani, M. P. was constituted. This Committee, going round the entire Country, submitted a report to the Government of India on 26th December 1960 for acceptance and implementations of recommendations. It is not known how many recommendations of this Committee were accepted and implemented.

As regards the Mysore State is concerned, the recommendations of Malkani Committee Report have not been even taken into consideration so far. There has not been any attempt to improve the living and working conditions of a class of people known as "Sweepers and Scavengers" working in all the Municipalities and Big Towns in the State. As a result, apart from the Municipalities *suo-moto* taking some interest in this problem, there has not been any physical or visible attempt to eradicate this system of scavenging or improving the living and working conditions of this unfortunate section of the society.

All these years, there have been attempts to exploit the ignorance of this section of the society with uncertain unemployment and inconceivably low wages. Never at any time, there has been an attempt to improve their conditions and to make them to live a life with human dignity and honour. It may be recalled here, the statement of late G. B. Pant, Home Minister then was, while addressing the conference of Chief Ministers on 3rd April 1959, said that he was very anxious to see that the in-human practice should be abolished completely and immediately.

(SRI B. BASAVAILINGAPPA)

The recommendations of the Estimates Committee at its 48th report do not cover all the needs of the problems facing these people. Probably, those recommendations were made about 20 years ago and that could not have foreseen the growing needs of the society. Therefore, the necessity arises now at the present moment, for taking comprehensive view of the entire problem facing this class of people. It is now imperative to think on these lines and to consider questions, along with the recommendations of the estimates committee, the questions like improvement of the living and working conditions, improvement of the environmental conditions, Training and Educating the children of these people, starting of nursery and other schools, establishing consumers and Banking co-operative societies and the services more attractive and remunerative for any class of people to take up such services.

We are now celebrating the 25th Silver Jubilee of our Independence and in this connection, the Government of India have decided to celebrate the same by carrying out certain accepted programmes. One of the programmes of the celebration is, for putting an end to the carrying of night-soil by human beings. In pursuance of this direction, the Government of Mysore have decided to constitute a committee to go into the question of living and working conditions of Sweepers and Scavengers all over the State, working in all big municipalities and towns, for taking further action by Government to realise the objective. The Committee will tour round the State and collect informations, data etc. ; and to make specific recommendations to Government for taking action. The following are the terms of reference of the Committee :—

The Committee shall :—

- (1) Investigate the Living and Service conditions of all the Sweepers and Scavengers working in various Municipalities, Town Panchayats and other places and make recommendations to Government as to the special provisions which may be made by Government for their advancements;
- (2) to investigate into their social, economical and educational conditions and to make recommendations for taking steps to accelerate the progress in those fields ;
- (3) to make recommendations to Government with particular reference to :—
 - (a) Special educational facilities in schools and colleges maintained by Government or otherwise for their children by way of concessions such as reservation of seats in schools and colleges, scholarships, maintenance allowance and hostel facilities etc. ;

- (b) reservation of appointments of posts in favour of educated children of this section of the society ;
- (4) to consider the recommendations of the Estimates Committee of Parliament in its 48th report and to make recommendations for gradually putting an end to the inhuman and unhealthy practice of carrying night soil as head-loads or by physically handling. The recommendations of the Estimates Committee of Parliament are as follows :—
- (a) The Ministry of Home Affairs should take a more lively interest and should impress upon the State Municipalities and Local Bodies that it is of utmost urgency that the practice of carrying night soil as head-loads be eliminated within the shortest possible time.
- (b) Such Municipalities and local bodies who, for various financial and other reasons, may not be able immediately to change over completely from the practice of carrying night-soil on head to that of removing it in hand carts or wheel barrows, but may be ready to introduce the scheme gradually, should be encouraged and allowed financial Aid.

Sriyuths :—

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| 1. I. P. D. Salappa, | ... | Chairman. |
| No. 79, Goripalya, | ... | |
| Bangalore-18. | | |
| 2. P. N. Ramachandra—, | ... | Member |
| Old Sawar Line, | | |
| Seshadripuram, Bangalore-20. | | |
| 3. Mrs. Lakshmi Subba Rao, | ... | do |
| No. 84, Gayathridevi Park, | | |
| Bangalore-3. | | |
| 4. S. A. Mulla, | ... | do |
| Merchant, Subbas Road, | | |
| Dharwar. | | |
| 5. K. Sriramulu, MLA, | ... | |
| Vyalikaval Main Road, | | |
| Bangalore-3. | | |
| 6. P. D. Bangera, MLA, | ... | do |
| Mangalore. | | |
| 7. T. R. Shamanna, MLA, | ... | do |
| 32, IV Main Road, | | |
| N. R. Colony, Bangalore-19. | | |
| 8. Narayan singh, MLA, | ... | do |
| Hospet, Bellary District. | | |
| 9. S. C. Venkatesh, President BCDCC, | | do |
| No. 78, 15th Cross, | | |
| Malleswaram, Bangalore-3. | | |

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| 10. A. K. Ananthakrishna, Corporator,
Shanthinagar, Bangalore-27. | Member |
| 11. G. P. Ganjigatti,
C/o scheduled Caste Cell,
No. 6, Edward Road, Bangalore-1B. | do |
| 12. Konandur Lingappa, MLA,
Lala Lajpath Roi Road,
Shimoga. | do |
| 13. M. Raghupathi,
Youth Leader, Yeswanthapur,
Bangalore. | |

The honorarium to the Chairman of the Committee and Other terms regarding drawal of T. A., D. A., and Conveyance Allowance may be worked out and the sanction of the Finance Department obtained. Since, I am issuing this Statement to-day (26th July 1972) Finance Department may be requested to agree to the above proposal immediately.

3-00 P.M.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

SRI M. MALLIKARJUNASWAMY (Minister for Community Development and Social Welfare). I beg to lay.

Notification No. G.S.R. 95 dated 18th January 1972. The Mysore Taluk Boards (Restriction on Expenditure) (Amendment) Rules, 1972.

Under Section 246 of the Mysore Village Panchayats and Taluk Boards Act. 1959.

MADAM SPEAKER.--The Notification is laid on the Table of the House.

OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

re: Naming the State as Karnataka

[Debate Contd.]

‡ ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಯ್ಯ (ರಾಮನಗರಂ).—ಸನ್ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷನವರು, ನಿನ್ನೆಯ ದಿವಸ ಈ ಸದನದ ಮುಂದೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಯವರು ಮೈಸೂರು ರಾಜ್ಯದ ಹೆಸರನ್ನು ಪ್ರಜೆಗಳ ಇಚ್ಛೆಯ ಮೇರೆಗೆ 'ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ' ಎಂದು ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಒಂದು ಸೂಕ್ತವಾದಂತಹ ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನು ಮಂಡಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಸಂತೋಷ ಈ ರಾಜ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಇಡತಕ್ಕಂತಹ ಹೆಸರು ಚೆನ್ನಾಗಿರಬೇಕು ಮತ್ತು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸಮಾಡತಕ್ಕಂತಹ ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬ ಕನ್ನಡಿಗನೂ ಒಳೆಯ ಅಡಳಿತದ ನೆರವನ್ನಿರಿಸಿ